

THE ASTORIAN.

ASTORIA, OREGON:
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INTRODUCTORY.

To-day begins the existence of a newspaper in Astoria, and custom makes it necessary that a few words be said by way of an introduction to the public, and some statement of the course it is to pursue.

The entire State of Oregon should feel an interest in the establishment of a paper at Astoria, and with few exceptions such is supposed to be the case. Astoria is the sea-port of Oregon—less than one hundred miles of railway, for the construction of which the general government of the United States have made a munificent grant of lands,—is necessary to connect this place with the Wallamet Valley and bring the whole railroad system of Oregon and Washington Territory to one common center in Astoria. Here the commerce of the Pacific ocean may find a port with sufficient safe anchorage for perpetual security. Here, on the most direct route between Europe and the ports of Asia, China, and Japan, may the heaviest cargoes break bulk for the speedier transportation across the continent of America by rail. Here may the immigrant from over-crowded Europe find an elysium in our fertile valleys, wooded up lands, and undeveloped ledges of coal, iron, copper, silver and gold. To be brief as possible, it is for the purpose of taking hold of these topics, and discussing them in a general way, together with other matters of interest and benefit to the State, that this journal is established. The people have long felt that such an enterprise was needed here, from the fact that Astoria is the most accessible port on the coast; is more directly on the through traveled route, and presents greater facilities for shipping and better inducements to capitalists than any other point in the northwest; and these facts are so little understood, even in Oregon, it seems imperative that a paper should be printed here to advance and advocate such interests for the common good of all.

Politically we shall be independent at all times. A thoroughly independent journal, which will address itself to all classes of readers, can discuss matters of public importance upon higher grounds than partisan journals and by treating facts for what they are, manifestly exert a moral influence that it is not possible to exert through organs of party or sect interest. No small degree of patient and laborious work is required to do this, and no light exercise of true independence will be required, but our effort shall be to present such a paper, and to do it successfully we trust that we possess that quality of independence that will sustain us, backed by the right, in maintaining a principle to be advocated, and at the same time prudence and judgment enough to estimate the value of the end to be attained by any controversy we may be engaged in.

Nothing but the truth shall be admitted into the columns of this paper, no advertisements of a doubtful character will be printed, and in giving the news in a condensed form, care will be taken to exclude the sensations of the day and give such that the most intelligent cannot find fault. Commercial, financial and social topics will be discussed, from time to time as subjects are suggested, and whenever it is deemed most expedient for the public interest.

A great deal of timber is destroyed every year by fires in the forest. Nor is this all—we are informed by a practical man that the intense heat produced by burning fallen timber simply to clear the land, actually ruins the soil. People who burn timber to get rid of it should make a note of this item.

The value of the manufactures of Washington Territory, as shown by the last census, is \$2,851,052. She ranks second in point of manufacturing industry of all the Territories, Colorado being first.

CLATSOP COUNTY IN BRIEF.

NUMBER ONE.

Clatsop county comprises an area of about twelve hundred square miles, or three quarters of a million acres. With fifty miles of

WATER FRONT.

On the Columbia river and Young's bay, besides about thirty-five miles of steamboat navigation on the interior rivers, her varied resources are readily accessible.

THE SOIL.

About twenty per cent of the surface is a first class alluvial deposit, and productive beyond all account. The balance is generally of a clay foundation, and densely wooded. The county can produce five million bushels of potatoes annually, which are worth on an average twenty-eight cents per bushel for the

MANUFACTURE OF STARCH.

The sugar beet can also be raised in endless quantities on her rich bottom lands, and

BREWER'S BARLEY.

Is especially adapted thereto. Fruits, and some varieties of grain do exceedingly well on the up lands, when cleared.

ALL KINDS OF STOCK.

Are much more healthy than in the central counties of the State, and in some sections the dairy business is already a source of considerable profit and quite extensively carried on, for a new region of country like this. The even temperature in summer and absence of great heat, renders Clatsop the "Butter Maker's Paradise." There are over 200,000 acres of

HEMLOCK TIMBER.

In the county that will cut from thirty to fifty cords of bark to the acre, (say eight million cords), worth, in Portland, twelve dollars per cord. Or, if consumed at Astoria, after deducting transportation on hides, a clear saving of two cents a pound on the cost of making leather; a profit in itself sufficient to warrant the employment of a million dollars capital in the 'rough' tanning business here. The true value of our vast Hemlock forests, while unappreciated, is almost beyond computation. The

TIDE LAND SPRUCE.

For ship knees, is another matter of no small importance, as such knees have been proven of superior quality, and they are here in every shape, size, and condition of fitness. The tide lands themselves will yet prove the most valuable in the State, as they are so rich in productiveness, and when reclaimed, grow such immense crops of timothy and other grasses.

THE SALMON FISHERIES.

Of the county, and those of the opposite shore of the Columbia, are yet but partially developed, though they employ several hundred men, and are the distributors of thousands of dollars annually.

SHIP BUILDING.

Should be largely carried on here, also, as the materials are at hand and the needed facilities easily secured. More especially should there be

FISHING SCHOONERS.

Built and equipped from the mouth of this river, as Oregon would consume largely of the catch, and the fishing banks are so near us that the idle fishermen of the river could join a cruise to the north after the spring run of salmon, and thus supply men of experience, and at a cheap rate.

THE COAL FIELDS.

Of the south eastern portion of the county will in time be developed and give us an additional exporting commodity.

THE VAST WATER POWER.

Of the various streams running through the county is of no small moment, as we are so situated that every vessel passing to or from the Columbia river touches us, and gives ready transportation to raw material, or the manufactured article.

SEA SIDE RESORTS.

Reserving an account of the attractions at the sea-side and the angler's sports, for another time, we dismiss the subject by saying that the future of Clatsop county is assured, and that our pleasure will ever be to aid in reaping that which nature has so bountifully sown.

AD REFERENDUM.—Four years ago we published a valedictory to the newspaper public of Oregon. One of those closing sentences was a regret at the necessity for parting from that close intimacy existing between us then as an advocate, and the Hon. John H. Mitchell, personally, as a leader of liberal Republican views.

We were compelled to sell our paper out at that time, and retired wholly from politics for no individual or party errors of our own—except a schism occasioned on account of our way of handling the Oregon Central railway controversy. Party leeches, petty hangers on, have since followed our track, and would to-day prevent us from expressing a free thought if they could—but we happen to be in a fix to "chin music" just as it pleases us, when we think it necessary, independent of any of them. In John H. Mitchell, we have always found an honorable and consistent party man; a true friend to the cause he advocates, and one who has never stooped to the slums in personal vilification and abuse of another simply because of political ambition and party differences of opinion. John H. Mitchell is a man to be trusted. It may seem necessary sometimes to deal boldly with public men in connection with public matters, but it is never necessary to forget that private character is private property,—owned by that most sacred of all circles, the family circle; and he who needlessly assails it should be regarded as much a criminal as if he robbed the household of its dearest treasures, or plucked from it, for his own base uses, its fairest flower. We do not regard all the pretended enemies of Hon. John H. Mitchell as his enemies, nor all his pretended friends as friends in the true sense. In the vicinity of the east where these highly sensational documents seem to have their origin Mr. Mitchell appears to stand yet very high in the estimation of good men, and we believe that he will be clearly and fully vindicated, and exonerated from the false aspersions which have grown out of the late exposures concerning the most unfortunate circumstances of his early life.

STEAMER SHUBRICK.—In accordance with previous arrangements the United States steam Light-house tender Shubrick, with Capt. Spotts, Superintendent of the 12th and 13th Light house Districts on board, came to Astoria on the 18th to meet Major H. M. Robert for a conference on business connected with the Light House Department. After transacting this business the Shubrick returned to San Francisco, going by the way of Light-houses on Puget Sound.

COAST SURVEY.—Capt. Cleveland Rockwell, of the United States Coast Survey, who has spent five seasons in this vicinity, has returned for the purpose of carrying on operations in continuation of the work this season. He hopes to complete the work, up to Kalama from Westport, in order to get telegraphic communication with San Francisco to correct latitude and longitude as detailed by observations.

SALMON SHIPMENTS.—There is at this time over one hundred tons of Salmon on the wharf here, shipments from fisheries along the Columbia river. The Ajax, trip before the last took away nearly 200 tons.

Capt. George Flavel, who has been to California overseeing work on the barkentine Jane A. Falkenberg for a month past, is expected home to-day.

Gen. John Adair of this city has been chosen one of the Vice Presidents at the celebration in Portland on Friday.

Judge S. E. Barr leaves here to-day to assume the office of Inspector of Customs at Oysterville, to which position he was recently appointed.

Gen. A. C. Hardie, of Washington city D. C., Inspector General of Ports, has been spending a few days at Arigoni's. He has paid an official visit to Fort Stevens and Cape Disappointment.

B. C. Lewis of Clackamas county, returns to Oregon to-day by the Ajax with his wife. This accounts for his sudden flight to Ohio recently.

Mr. D. Lower of Portland, died of small-pox Saturday evening. His disease was contracted by handling vegetables brought by the steamer quarantined here in May last.

Tide Table for Astoria.

	High Water.			Low Water.		
	July	AM	PM	July	AM	PM
1.	1	47	5 38	11	30	11 43
2.	2	54	6 20	10	04	0 04
3.	3	52	7 04	9	38	0 48
4.	4	31	7 51	1	35	1 37
5.	5	35	8 42	2	37	2 38
6.	6	44	9 32	3	43	3 42
7.	7	10	10 25	4	49	4 15

Mortimer Murphy, who has been on an excursion to Clatsop, returned last evening on his way to Portland. He expects to be in Europe soon, but will carry pleasant recollections of this trip with him.

Notice to Pilots, (and Ship Masters).—Every Pilot or Ship Master who shall bring into the port of Astoria any ship or vessel having on board any persons or goods infected with Small-pox, Cholera, Leprosy, or other contagious diseases, or which shall have had on board any such infections during the voyage, or which he suspects, from the bad sanitary condition of the vessel may be capable of propagating disease, shall anchor such ship or vessel below Smith's Point, and give immediate notice to the Health Officer. In any violation of the foregoing regulations the law will be strictly enforced.

S. W. DODD, Health Officer, Astoria.

To Investors.—The Northern Pacific Railroad Company has now built, equipped and put in operation, nearly 517 miles of its main line of road through an excellent country and along what is known as the Valley Route to the Pacific. The finished portions already enjoy a large and fast increasing traffic. The sections approaching completion connect the chain of Lakes with the navigation of the Upper Missouri and Columbia rivers with Puget Sound, secure at once a large and profitable business and entitle the Company to about 10,400,000 acres of excellent average land in fee simple.

With these accomplished results, the Company offers, and is now rapidly selling, its First Mortgage Bonds, for completing the construction and equipment of its road across the Continent. After careful investigation, we recommend these bonds as a well secured and unusually profitable investment. They have 30 years to run; principal and interest are payable in gold; the interest (seven and three-tenths per cent.) is equal now to about 84 per cent. in currency. The coupon and registered bonds can be exchanged for each other at the pleasure of the holder. Gold checks for the semi-annual interest on the registered bonds are mailed to the post office address of the owner.

These securities have the following elements of strength and safety: They are the obligation of a strong corporation; they are also a mortgage on the Road, its right of way, equipments and franchises, and a first lien on its net earnings. In addition to this usually sufficient security, there is pledged for the payment of the principal and interest a Grant of Land, averaging about 23,000 Acres per Mile for the entire length of the Road. At the average price per acre at which other Land Grants have thus far been sold, this real estate security will yield more than \$101,000 per mile—more than three times the possible issue of bonds.

The Company has already begun the process of redeeming and cancelling its first mortgage bonds, as they are now being received, at 110 in payment and exchange for the Company's lands. JAY COOKE & CO., Philadelphia, New York & Washington, Financial Agents N. P. R. R. Co.

Beaver Lodge No. 35, I. O. O. F.

Meet every Thursday evening, at 8 o'clock, in the Odd Fellows' Hall, corner of Cass and Jefferson streets, Astoria. Members of the Order are invited to attend. By order, N. G.

ASTORIA ADVERTISEMENTS.

FIREMAN'S BALL.—At Progress Hall, Friday evening, July 4th, 1873. Tickets, \$2 50 including supper. A General invitation is extended to all. Good Music provided.

FIREMAN'S DRILL.—Members of Astoria Fire Company No. 1, are notified to be present this (TUESDAY) evening, July 1st, 1873, for Drill. By order of the FOREMAN.

COME AND SEE MY FANCY Poultry! A J. MEGLER, Chenamus street

NOTICE.—The Citizens of Astoria will celebrate the 97th Anniversary of National Independence in a becoming manner on FRIDAY, July 4th, 1873, by Oration, Reading the Declaration of Independence, Firing of Cannon, Pic Nic Dinner, &c. A full Programme of the Exercises of the day will appear on Thursday. Chairman Com of Arrangements

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Summons. IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE STATE of Oregon, for the County of Clatsop. Margaret Brown, Plaintiff, vs. Allan Brown, Defendant. To Allan Brown, defendant, in the name of the State of Oregon, you are hereby required to appear and answer the Complaint filed against you in the above entitled action at the next term of the above entitled Court, to be held at Astoria, County of Clatsop, on the 12th day of August 1873, and if you fail so to answer the Plaintiff will apply to the Court for the relief demanded therein, which is a divorce from the bonds of matrimony with you. W. M. L. McEWAN, Solicitor for Plaintiff.

Administrator's Notice. NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT THE undersigned has been appointed by the County Court of the State of Oregon, for the County of Clatsop, Administrator of the estate of Franklin Nickerson, deceased, late of said county. All persons indebted to said estate are hereby notified to make payment, and all persons having claims against said estate are hereby required to present the same to me, duly verified, at my residence in Astoria, in said county, within six months from this date. RUTH B. NICKERSON, Astoria, July 1, 1873-1w Administrator.

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HOTELS.

The SEASIDE HOUSE, CLATSOP BEACH.

MR. C. H. DEXTER, formerly of the "Chiff House," San Francisco, announces to his friends and the public that he has leased the new and elegant Hotel recently erected by Ben Holladay, Esq., upon the site of the old Summer House, at Clatsop Beach. The house is elegantly furnished, and possesses all modern improvements. A large and spacious Dining Room, Billiard Room, extensive Parlors, Bath Rooms, Rooms en suite, etc., etc., all well arranged for the comfort of guests. The grounds are beautifully laid out. A half-mile Race Track, with Shell drive, Croquet Ground, Children's Play Ground, Swings, etc., etc. Boats upon the creek; plenty of Trout Fishing; a splendid Stable, with Saddle Horses for those who wish for Equestrian rides over the beach; Bathing Houses, for Salt Water Bathing—and, in fact, everything necessary for the pleasure seeker, the Tourist or the Invalid. Ocean, Mountain, Forest and River Scenery, combined, make this the finest place of Resort in the World. The climate is equable—never subject to extremes of heat or cold—and one of the healthiest places upon the Globe. The Table will be unexcelled, and the subscriber pledges himself that nothing will be left undone for the pleasure and comfort of his Patrons. Terms moderate and satisfactory. CHARLES H. DEXTER.

BAY-VIEW HOUSE, (Fifteen Miles Northwest of Astoria.)

At Unity, Baker's Bay, W. T.

THE UNDERSIGNED HAS PURCHASED the above house at this favorite resort. Having thoroughly renovated and furnished the same with new material, it will be kept in first-class style. The table will be furnished with the best market affords. Fresh Fish, Oysters and Clams in every style. No pains will be spared to make guests comfortable. The above house is only one and a half miles from the Ocean Beach, where anglers may enjoy rare sport. Boats, carrying passengers, will ply between Unity and Astoria, connecting with Coldwater River boats. Tri-weekly stages will run between Unity and Shalwater Bay. JOHN HUNTER, Proprietor.

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